



Mark Your Calendar

February 6th - 1:00pm
Metropolitan Youth Symphony, Great Hall Westminster

February 13th – 10:00
Board Meeting - Zoom

March 6th - 1:00pm
Musical Tea, Piano Santa performing, Great Hall Westminster

April 3rd - 1:00pm
Two Piano Concert at Reedwood Friends Church; 2901 SE Steele St; Portland



The Holiday Luncheon on Dec. 13th kicked off our holiday spirit and was a great success! It was held at the beautiful setting of Tualatin Valley Country Club. The amazing Gresham Overtones performed. Our Bev Owen is back to playing with her amazing attitude. Eighty-nine lunch tickets were purchased. \$1,900 plus in profits from tickets, auction, raffle, and cash donations.

The January 9th Musical Tea was such a pleasant afternoon! Our first gathering in our new home at Westminster, felt just that, home. The Fireside room is so warm and comfortable. We filled the room and enjoyed the talented Portland Youth Philharmonic musicians. Sherry Symington orchestrated another wonderful spread of delicious food.

Our February 6th Musical Tea will be in the Great Hall. Signs will be posted and MMC members will guide you to the door and elevator if you need assistance. We are asked not to push the buzzer for entrance, as there is limited church staff on site.

I will be out of the country January 27th- Feb 9th and again February 26th -March 31st. Our wonderful Jerre Ann will be there in my place. Thank you so much Jerre Ann!

Stay tuned for our year-end luncheon location.

We have two of our dear members needing our support:

Jan Plog broke her femur, had surgical repair and will have rehab at the Holladay Park Rehabilitation unit.

Our 36-year member, Mary Lou Cosby, has suffered a serious stroke and is in Providence Hospital. The family will keep us updated on her condition.

Our love and prayers go out to both these members who have given so much to the club.





To date (January 13, 2023), we have raised \$3005.50! It is so exciting that we are getting close to our goal and it's all because of you and your generous donations!! Thank you,



Upcoming Fundraiser: ❤️ ❤️ ❤️ ❤️ ❤️
February ~ "Donate from the Heart" *See attached flyer"

WE WANT YOU

Seeking MMC members who would like to serve on a committee to review and write grants. Monday Musical Club has an amazing group of talented, creative, and dedicated people and our commitment to investing in the future of music through young musicians will carry us into the future. Please help in any way you can. To sign up for the MMC Grant Writing Committee or for more information, please contact: Jerre Ann Pappelis



We announced our 2023 Scholarship Program on New Year's Day and received our first application on January 3rd. We are now full with 30 contestants, as of January 16th. We have also received four additional applications for contestants waiting on standby. Our contestants include twelve pianists, eleven strings, five voice and two other instrumental applicants.

There will be space in the Chapel at Westminster Church for our members to attend the April 15th auditions. If you would like to volunteer to assist students and families, please contact me or Nancy Woo. (Thanks Nancy for all your help!).

<http://www.pdxmmc.org/scholarship-info/>



Westminster Church has proven itself to be a perfect fit for our Club. We packed the Fireside room close to its full capacity with a few more than would normally be expected on such a typical rainy day in January. The PYP students made our first event there a complete success.



Maggie Carter (double bass)



Metta Mayes (viola)



Simon Carter (cello)



Our upcoming Tea on February 6th will be in a larger room and you won't want to miss the Metropolitan Youth Symphony's MYSfits ensemble as they typically provide one of our most entertaining events of the year. See you there!



YESTERYEAR.... Notes from Monday Musical History

MUSIC CLUB HAS HIGH JINKS" - The Sunday Oregonian of June 10, 1917

"It has been the custom of the club to make this [Installation of Officers] the occasion of 'Jinks'." Each officer was asked to show her fitness for her position. The new president "gave a history of her musical education and honors" and played one of her own compositions, the business ability of the financial secretary was "severely examined," and the corresponding secretary "expressed a fear that the ink might give out."

Perhaps something we should ask of our newly elected officers?

Do you have a stash of MMC materials in a closet, attic or basement?

You may know that we're creating a digital archive of MMC materials on Google. I'm in the process of scanning past years' minutes to be added to that archive. I have all the minutes from the 2014-15 year to the present and some from the decade between 2000-2010. I know that we have materials at the Multnomah Co. Library which may include minutes, and plan to investigate there. However, if you have copies of minutes from the past, please contact me about getting them scanned. Thanks!



Chinese New Year 2023 is a **Year of the Rabbit**, more specifically, Water Rabbit, starting from January 22nd, 2023, and lasting until February 9th, 2024. If you were born in one of the years, then you are a Rabbit.

People born in a year of the Rabbit are called "Rabbits" and are believed to be **vigilant, witty, quick-minded, and ingenious.**

How to Get Good Luck in the Year of the Water Rabbit 2023?

Chinese people believe that what you do at the beginning of a new year will affect your luck in the coming year.

- **Staying up on Chinese New Year's eve** (January 21st, 2023) and
- **Saying good words** to your family/friends like Happy New Year after the clock strikes 12 will certainly bring good luck. (Check some of the most popular Chinese New Year greetings, wishes, messages, and quotes)
- **Giving out red packets to kids and elders** will help cast away the bad luck (demon Nian) and bring good luck in.
- Besides, **decorating your house with kumquat trees** (symbolizing wealth & good luck), **wearing your lucky color**, and **eating lucky food** like rice dumplings (family togetherness), fried flour-coated



peanuts (vitality), walnut cookies (happiness), etc. are popular ways to get lucky. (Check [12 Traditional Chinese New Year Foods & Symbolic Meanings](#))

<https://www.chinahighlights.com/travelguide/chinese-zodiac/rabbit.htm>

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